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TOPIC ~~AINS and Documents of Soviet Units in the Berlin Area~~

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1. Following are AINs of Soviet units turning in laundry at the Buch (N 53/Z 96) laundry:

AINInformation on Unit

12 776(1)

73 shirts

Cover No 173

Motor vehicle C 5-81-17

06 745(2)

51 shirts

Cover No 14

14 371(3)

158 shirts

Cover No 373

17 805(4)

920 shirts

Cover No 178

Motor vehicle [ 7-39-14 and  
[ 7-39-17

21 092(5)

a. 536 shirts

Cover No 0 -70K

Motor vehicle No [ 7-40-78

b. 249 shirts

Cover No 28 C

Motor vehicle C 5-81-xx

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Information on Unit

a. 184 shirts

Cover No 364 A

Motor vehicle C 8-85-67

Unit stationed in Teupitz  
(N 53/V 00)

Insignia: Winged wheel

b. 57 shirts

Cover No 364 B

Motor vehicle C 8-85-67

Unit stationed in Teupitz

Insignia: Winged wheel

1,230 shirts

Cover No 220

Motor vehicle B 2-31-96

Unit stationed in Bernau  
(N 53/Z 96)

218 shirts

Cover No 280

89 shirts

Cover No 709

85 shirts

Cover name: Otgen

Unit stationed Bernau

1,085 shirts

Cover No 514

Motor vehicle H 0-02-65

Air force unit stationed in  
Berneuchen (N 53/V 06)

114 shirts

Cover No 776

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Information on Unit

257 shirts

Cover No 528

1,207 shirts

Cover No 325

Motor vehicle b 2-50-71

Tank unit, an officer of which stated that it would soon be transferred to Potsdam-Babelsberg (N 53/E 63) or Belzig (N 53/E 30)

465 shirts

Cover No 98

Motor vehicle 13-07-70

Air force unit stationed in Herneuchen.

Unidentified number of shirts

Cover No 6534

Motor vehicle B 7-89-57

Air force unit stationed in Strausberg (N 53/V 15)

a. 793 shirts

Cover No 101

Tank unit stationed in Nauen (N 53/E 45)

b. 1,120 shirts

Cover No 5731

Motor vehicle No E 1-01-19

Tank unit stationed in Nauen

680 shirts

Cover No 718

Motor vehicle E 2-36-86

Unit with black-bordered red epaulets.

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2. Cover Numbers of other Units:

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Unidentified unit of about 500 men stationed in Nauen; turned in uniforms for the first time.

Air force unit stationed in Werneuchen; turned in 473 shirts. Motor vehicles B 7-88-83 and F 7-40-78

Tank unit; turned in 102 shirts.

Unidentified unit of unknown strength. Passenger car 15 - 91.

Unidentified unit; turned in 313 shirts. Motor vehicle B 3-85-42.

Artillery unit stationed in Oranienburg (N 53/3 67); turned in 570 shirts. Motor vehicle C 8-70-80.

Tank unit; turned in 330 shirts. Motor vehicle F 7-32-39.

Motor vehicle E 2-37-13.

3. Soviet documents were removed from articles of clothing.

4. An officer of the Potsdam Unit [REDACTED] 25X1B inspected the laundry on 10 February 1950 and ordered that one of the two Ukrainian washerwomen was to return there immediately and that the other was to be dismissed on 1 March 1950. He also instructed the laundry manager to establish an agency somewhere outside Berlin, because Berlin was to be placed off limits to Soviet troops by 1 March 1950.

5. Identification of documents:

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No 1: Envelope addressed to a soldier of Unit [REDACTED] 25X1B  
[REDACTED] postmarked 20 December 1950, examined by Censorship Office [REDACTED] (21)  
mailed by a soldier of Unit [REDACTED] 25X1B  
Tapiaw, East Prussia (Kaliningrad Oblast).

No 2: Letter addressed to a soldier of Unit [REDACTED] 25X1B  
[REDACTED] dated 19 October 1950.

No 3: Letter addressed to a soldier of Unit [REDACTED] 25X1B  
[REDACTED] dated 23 September 1949, examined by Censorship Office [REDACTED] 25X1B

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No 4: Letter addressed to a soldier, dated 19 September 1949, mailed by the addressee's brother in the Georgian SSR, who writes that he has been in active service for six years and has not been on furlough for two years. He hopes to be discharged soon, but the odds are against him.

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(1)

Previously reported from Buch. The C 5-81-xx series was previously believed to belong to series of the GOFQ GHQ units; however, as a number of this series was identified in connection with AIN 21 092 and a motor vehicle number of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre) (7-40-78), and as numbers of the C 5-81-xx series have been generally reported from the Krenzau-Oranienburg area, it is possible that the C 5-81-xx series may belong to the 25th Tank Div (Cadre). It is therefore considered possible that [REDACTED] may be assigned to a component unit of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre) (possibly a tank unit - see a previous report).

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(2)

Previously reported from Buch.

(3)

Previously reported from the Buch laundry on 4 February 1950.

(4)

Confirms the Oranienburg 111th Tank Regt (Cadre) of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre) until 18 February 1950.

(5)

Previously reported from the Buch laundry; possibly assigned to a component unit of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre) (see Field Comment on AIN 12 776).

(6)

Probably assigned to a transport unit, as indicated by the reported insignia. Since Teupitz is located in the area of the Third Gds Mecz Army (Cadre), it is assumed that the motor vehicle number reported may have been misidentified. The AIN was reported from Buch in connection with motor vehicle C 8-84-64 (series of the Third Gds Mecz Army (Cadre) on 4 February 1950.

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Confirms the Bernau 240th Gds Mort Regt (Cadre) of the 6th Gds Mecz Div (Cadre) until 18 February 1950.

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Confirms the 194th Engr Bn (Cadre) of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre) until 18 February 1950. The location of the battalion is not known.

Previously reported from Buch.

Confirms the Bernau Main Clothing Depot of the GDFG up to 18 February 1950.

Assigned to the Doeberitz 219th Tank Regt of the 1st Mecz Div, according to other credible reports. Cover No 514 was previously reported by the same source in connection with [REDACTED]. The information that [REDACTED] belongs to a Berneuchen air force unit is therefore doubted.

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Previously reported from Buch.

On a Soviet document found in the Caserne on Edelweissstrasse, Bernau, in December 1949. Cover No 528 was previously reported in connection with [REDACTED]

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Reported from Buch on 4 February 1950; presumably assigned to a regiment of the 1st Mecz Div.

Confirms the ground unit of a Berneuchen bomber regiment of III Bmr Corps.

Confirmed as being assigned to a Strausberg air force unit.

Probably assigned to a component unit of the 1st Mecz Div. A previous report mentioned Cover No 101 in connection with AIN 61 867 (35th Mecz Regt of the 1st Mecz Div) and Cover No 5731 in connection with AIN 13 849 and motor vehicle numbers of the 1st Mecz Div (unit which turned in 1,450 shirts)

Unknown; probably assigned to a component unit of the 25th Tank Div (Cadre), as indicated by the reported motor vehicle numbers.

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b. Cover Numbers

Except for No "4 K" (unit stationed in Nauen), all the reported cover numbers are known from previous reports. Units did not change their cover numbers, according to the motor vehicle numbers listed in connection with them in this and previous reports.

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c. [REDACTED] is not known. It presumably is assigned to a Potsdam office which supervises the Buch laundry.

d. Soviet Documents

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See (2) in para a of Field Comment.

Confirms the Doeberitz 61st Gas Tank Regt (Cadre) of the 10th Tank Div up to 20 December 1949.

(21)

On a Soviet document found in Eberswalde in January 1949; it was assumed then that [REDACTED] might be stationed in the 25X1B Kirov Oblast. However, Document No 1 indicates that the unit concerned was stationed in Tapiau, East Prussia, in December 1949.

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